

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 115
OFFERED BY M____.

Add, at the end of the bill, the following:

1 SEC. 3. STANDARDS FOR THE USE OF FORENSIC SCIENCE
2 IN CAPITAL CRIME CASES.

3 Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment
4 of this Act, the Attorney General shall establish and sub-
5 mit a report to Congress on the activities of a commission
6 which shall provide recommendations and advice to the
7 Department of Justice concerning national methods and
8 strategies for—

9 (1) strengthening the validity and reliability of
10 the forensic sciences (including medico-legal death
11 investigation);

12 (2) enhancing quality assurance and quality
13 control in forensic science laboratories and units;

14 (3) identifying and recommending scientific
15 guidance and protocols for evidence seizure, testing,
16 analysis, and reporting by forensic science labora-
17 tories and units; and

18 (4) identifying and assessing other needs of the
19 forensic science communities to strengthen their dis-
20 ciplines and meet the increasing demands generated

- 1 by the criminal and civil justice systems at all levels
- 2 of government.

